

An Air Force RD in Honduras

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Overview

Introduction

Criteria for Selection

The Mission

Summary

Background

Primary Pediatric Dietitian at Wilford Hall
Medical Center, Lackland AFB, TX

- Pediatric Intensive Care Unit
- Pediatric Ward
- Tri Service Cystic Fibrosis Clinic Dietitian

Experience with pediatric malnutrition

AD Air Force

- Increase diversity of team composed of Army, Air Force, Navy personnel



I'm also good at counting pills...



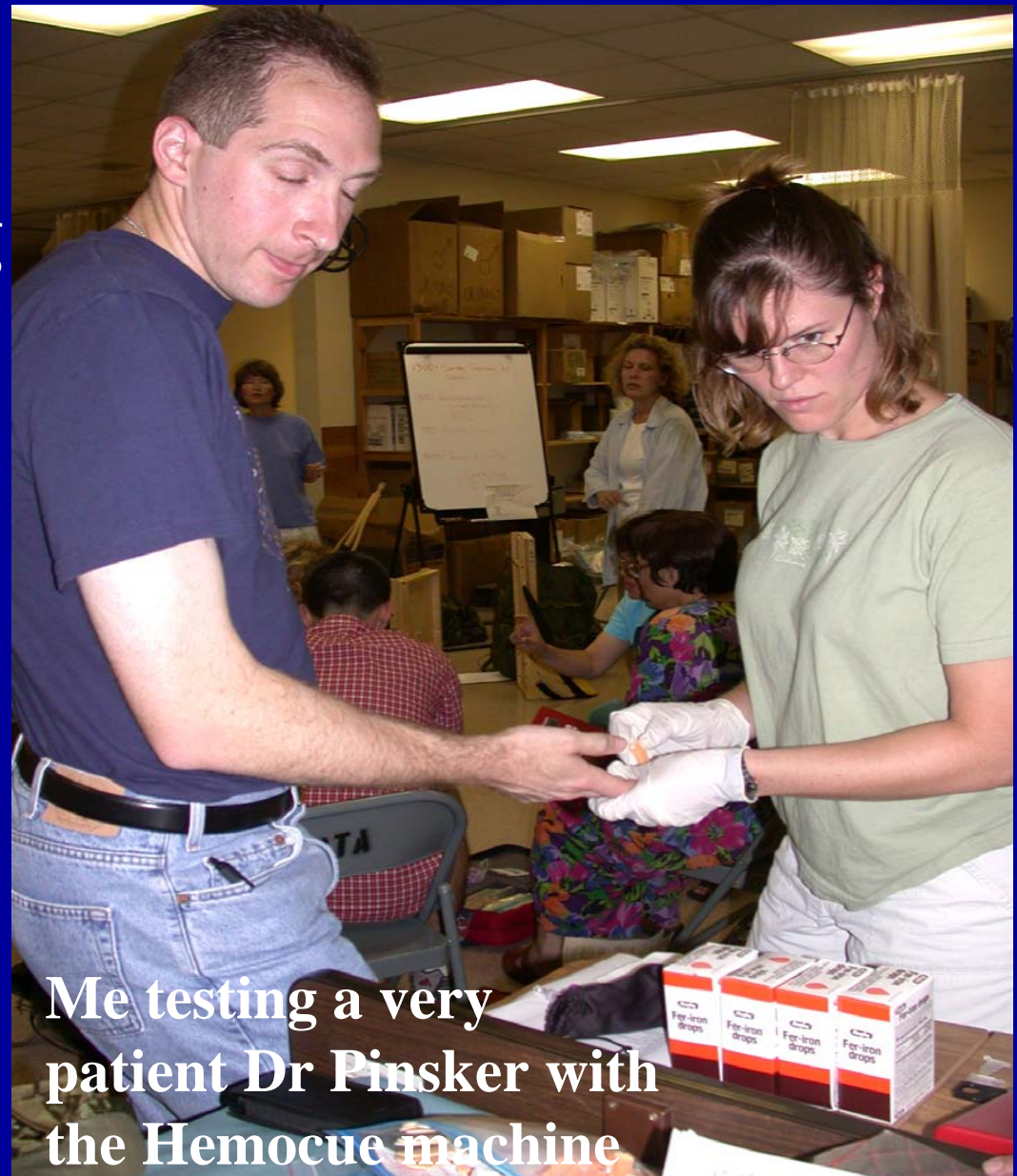
and measuring flour.



Day 1 at JTF Bravo Hospital
Clinic

Received training
for:

- Hemocue machine
- Shore Boards
- Scales
- Measuring MAMC





**Dr Kemmer demonstrates proper technique
for measuring MAMC**



Inventoried,
packed, and loaded
supplies
(meds, flour, etc.)





Settled in to our lodging at JTF
Bravo—the “Hooches”



Ate our first “Honduran” meal
at JTF Bravo’s Dining Facility

Then the real work began....



Dr Fallot drives us into the mountains of Honduras

**Even a bone jostling ride in the back of a Humvee
can't stop us from smiling.**



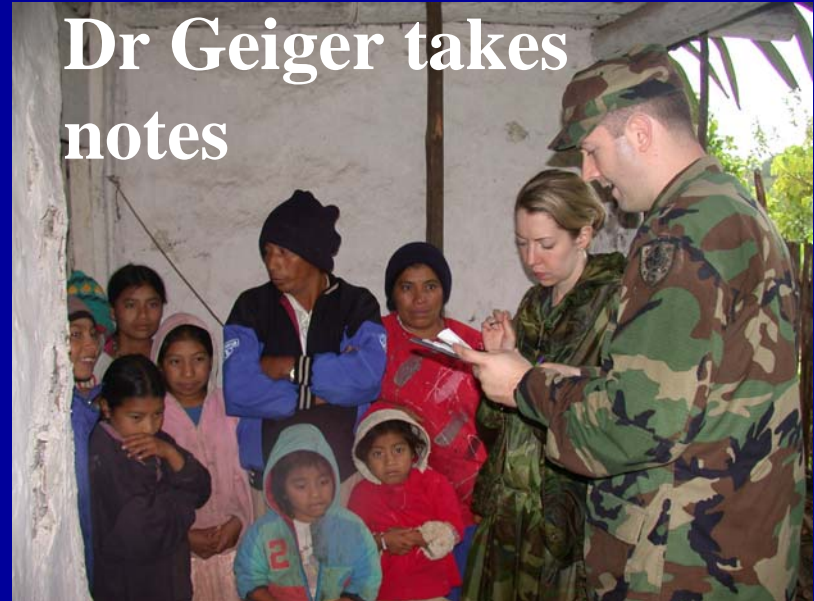
Arriving at our mountain “resort”



Data Collection



Dr Geiger takes notes



Dr Wilson measures lth with a Shore Board



Dr Parker checks Hgb



Clinic Day at the local school



Tri Service RD Team

Lined up to see the
military medics



Visit to main hospital in Tegucigalpa



14 yo F with stunted growth
due to malnutrition



Feeding over 1,000 pts per day



Celebrating a
hard week's
work...



Value of Training as a Military Dietitian

Tri-Service Dietitian exposure and teamwork opportunity

New perspective on malnutrition (due to lack of food vs medical condition)

Multidisciplinary, tri-service contacts fostered in an atypical medical setting